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DOCUMENTS BRANCH

Monthly Progress Report  
26 May to 20 June 1947

## I. Periodicals from the Far East.

- a. Periodical Abstracts Published  
 No. 3 "Japanese Technical Abstracts"  
 No. 4 "Current Japanese Patents"

2

## II. Projects

- a. Requirements from OCD

1) Action Completed 14

a. Translations and Reports 12

- CD No. 555 (DB Translation No. 74)  
 1086 (DB Translation No. 76)  
 1046 (DB Translation No. 75)  
 469  
 802 (DB Translation No. 77)  
 1151 A New "Rare Elements" Plant *(S)* 25X1  
 1127 USSR Air Transportation *(S)*  
 1122 Oscillation of Turbine Blade and Impeller *(S)*  
 946.2 Railroad Construction in USSR *(S)*  
 1153 Scientific Research Work on Rare Elements in 15  
 Years *(S)* 25X1  
 1175 (DB Translation No. 79)  
 699 (DB Translation No. 80)

2) Requests for Publications from Documents Branch Files 2

CD No. 1228  
1329.1

3) Reports Forwarded but action not completed

CD No. 798-B Summary Translation  
511-I Extracts from Korean Newspapers

- b. Translations Published 7

- #74 "Organization and Functions of the Soviet Trading Agencies for Outer Mongolia"  
 #75 "Four Articles from 'Herald of the Air Fleet', Issue No. 1, 1947" (CD No. 1046)  
 #76 "Fundamental Problems of Non-Ferrous Metallurgy in 1947" (CD No. 1086)  
 #77 "Ice Conditions in the Waters Bordering the USSR" (CD No. 802)  
 (#78 "Military Topography of Northern French Indo-China" )  
 (DB document 158687)  
 #79 "Greek Constitution" (CD No. 1175)  
 #80 "Epidemics in USSR" (CD No. 699)  
 DB Document 270440 - 364

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c. Accession Lists Published

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d. Summaries Published

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Summary No. 1 "Mineral Resources of Sinkiang"  
Industrial Card File "Ordnance" (3,936 cards)  
Industrial Card File "Railroads" (9,844 cards)

e. Documents Loaned 120

f. Sacks of Documents Received 24

g. Total Documents Scanned 21,068

h. Documents Re-screened (for International Military Tribunal) 60,000

i. Documents for Library of Congress 16,737

j. Personnel on Duty with Documents Branch 83

~~Recruitment of personnel for Documents Branch is very slow.  
At present the personnel freeze makes it necessary to justify  
the hiring of each applicant, subject to approval by the  
Executive Director for P&A.~~

### III. Projects Contemplated Within the Near Future.

#### a. Expansion of Documents Branch Operations

On 30 June 1947, the responsibilities of the German Documents Section and of the Special Documents Section will be responsibilities of Documents Branch in addition to the current processing of captured Japanese Documents. The immediate problems of Documents Branch arise from this integration and from compliance with the authority to expand operations to include the abstracting of current foreign periodicals, exclusive of the daily press.

#### b. Establishment of Document Source Survey Division

Documents Branch is presently surveying world-wide sources of foreign documents to determine existence and availability of those of actual or potential intelligence value. The Documents Source Survey Division will prepare periodically for publication a review of those documents of intelligence value.

#### c. Periodical Exploitation

Periodical abstracts will be provided in the near future on the following:

Current USSR Scientific and Technical journals.  
Japanese Journal of the Electrochemical Society.  
Japanese Journal of the Electrical Engineering Society.  
Japanese Journal of Microbiology and Pathology.  
Japanese Journal of Physical Chemistry.

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